Interpellation.

Mr. Marasseri Trivikraman Vasudevan.

22. (*a*) Have any special arrangements been made to afford educational facilities to the Malayala Brahmins? If so what are they?

(*b*) Are the Government aware that the boarding grant sanctioned to the school for Malayala Brahmins at Mannadi is a portion of the income derived from the charitable funds provided for their religious education in other localities?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to state what amount of similar funds exists, and in what places, intended for the special use of Malayala Brahmins, and whether such funds can be utilised for boarding grants to special schools?

(*d*) Will the Government be pleased to sanction to Malayala Brahmin boys in public schools, such concessions and scholarships as are allowed in the case of some other communities backward in modern education?

(*e*) Is there any provision for religious instruction in Government schools? If not, will the Government be pleased to take steps to provide for such instruction?

(*f*) Is it a fact that in some grant-in-aid schools under the management of Christian religious authorities, non-Christian pupils are compelled to attend Christian religious classes and that they are treated in a manner calculated to wound their self-respect? If so, will it be practicable for Government to remedy the evil?

23. (*a*) Are the Government aware that in many countries, Hindu and Mahomedan, cow-slaughter is prohibited?

(*b*) Will the prohibition of cow-slaughter in Travancore, which is the premier Hindu State, entail any loss to Government, or are they against such prohibition?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table statistics showing the number of cows slaughtered daily in the several parts of this country?

24. The first chapter of the report submitted by the Committee constituted on the repeated and joint representations of the Jenmies and the Kudiyans was ordered to be deleted on the ground that that chapter contained damaging reflections on the Malayala Brahmin community in general and it was resolved by Government to introduce another Bill in the Legislative Council. Will the Government be now pleased to state at what stage the subsequent action taken in the matter is?

Answer.

22. (*a*) There are two schools specially intended for the education of Malayala Brahmins. One is a Lower Grade English School with a lower grade vernacular branch attached to it. The school, which is now at Mannadi, will soon be removed to Kulakkada. Special arrangements have been made for the boarding of the pupils. The other is the Higher Grade Vernacular School at Kumaranallur. In both the schools, the pupils are taught free.

(*b*) The grant towards the boarding of the pupils at Mannadi is derived from the funds formerly sanctioned for Othoottus.

(*c*) Information will be called for.

(*d*) The answer is in the negative.

(*e*) There is no provision for religious instruction in Government schools. The multiplicity of religions in the country precludes the possibility of any satisfactory arrangements being made in this respect.

(*f*) The Director of Public Instruction reports that orders have, from time to time, issued that religious instruction should be given only before or after school-hours so that non-Christian pupils need not attend.

Secretary Mr. K. Narayanan Pandalay.

23. (*a*) No reliable information is available.

(*b*) This question is inadmissible under rule 8 (*d*) of the rules governing the asking of questions and has been placed on the agenda by mistake.

(*c*) The statistics required are not available.

24. The Additional Head Sirkar Vakil has been requested to submit a draft amending Bill and he is engaged in its preparation.

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The Secretary reported that the Census Bill, which was finally passed by the Council on the 27th July 1920, received the assent of His Highness the Maha Raja on the 21st August 1920 and became law as Regulation I of 1096.

The Secretary then reported the receipt of the following communications to the Council:—

(a) Regarding the Ezhava Bill.

Serial number.	From whom received.	Date.
1	The Bishop of Quilon.	7th March 1919.
2	The Arch-Bishop of Verapoly.	20th March 1919.
3	The Bishop of Ernaculam.	29th March 1919.
4	The Bishop Vicar-Apostolic of Kottayam.	2nd April 1919.
5	Representatives of the Trivandrum, Nedumangad and Neyyattinkara taluk Ezhava Samajams.	31st Karkadakam 1094.
6	Ezhava ladies of the Quilon taluk.	...
7	P. Madhavan Vaidyan and others, the Ezhava Members of the 16th Session of the S. M. P. Assembly.	21st Kumbham 1095.

(b) Regarding the Nair Regulation Amendment Bill.

Serial number	From whom received.	Date.
1	Sankaravilasam and Padmavilasam Nair Samajams, Ambalapuzha taluk.	5th Meenam 1095.
2	Mr. Chalayil K. Kesava Panikkar.	...
3	Mr. A. P. Nair, Secretary, Nair Samudaya Parishkara Sangham, Neyyattinkara.	15th Meenam 1095.
4	Nairs of Ambalapuzha taluk, Pulinkunnu Pakuthi.	15th Meenam 1095.
5	Nairs of Kozhimukku and Kottapuna Proverthy, Ambalapuzha taluk.	22nd Meenam 1095.
6	Nair Samajam, Chambakkulam Proverthy, Ambalapuzha taluk.	26th Meenam 1095.

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Serial number.	From whom received.	Date.
7	Mr. K. N. Balakrishna Pillai.	26th Meenam 1095.
8	Nair Samajam, Takazhi Proverthy, Ambalapuzha taluk.	1st Medam 1095.
9	Secretary, Nair Samajam, Trikulathur.	3rd Medam 1095.
10	President, Payipattukara Nair Co-operative Sangham.	15th Karkadakam 1095.
11	Secretary, Ayirur Nair Samajam.	29th Karkadakam 1095.
12	Mr. P. K. Narayana Pillai, President, Nair Samajam, held at Tiruvalla on the 30th August 1920.	6th September 1920.
13	Secretary, Ariyasamajam, Tiruvalla.	23rd Chingam 1096.
14	Nair Samajam, Talavadi, Ambalapuzha taluk.	11th September 1920.
15	President, Nair Samajam, Kozhikode.	21st Chingam 1096.
16	President, Nair Samajam, Trikulathur, Mannur and Manari.	1st Kanni 1096.
17	Mr. K. Krishnan Nair, journalist, Shertallai.	17th Chingam 1096.
18	President, Nair Samajam, Naduvilecherakara, Tiruvalla taluk.	16th Kanni 1096.
19	President, Nair Samajam, Karakal, Tiruvalla taluk.	15th Kanni 1096.
20	President, Nair Samajam, held at Ambalapuzha.	13th Kanni 1096.
21	President, Nair Samajam, held at Kothamangalam, Muvattupuzha taluk.	16th Kanni 1096.
22	President, Nair Samajam, held at Kohtamangalam.	24th Kanni 1096.

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The Nair Regulation Amendment Bill.—(contd.)

Serial Number.	From whom received.	Date.
23	President, Nair Samajam, Kunnamtanamkara, Kaviyur.	20th Kanni 1096.
24	President, Nair Samajam, Trikariyur, Kotamangalam, Muvattupuzha taluk.	10th Kanni 1096.
25	President, Nair Samajam, held at Kottayam on the 4th October 1920.	30th Kanni 1096.
26	Mr. N. Raman Pillai, Erikat House, Tiruvalla.	2nd Tulam 1096.
27	Mr. K. Govinda Pillai, Vengur Nair Samajam, Perumbavur.	31st Kanni 1096.
28	Mr. M. Parameswaran Pillai, President, Varapetti Nair Samajam, Muvattupuzha.	3rd Tulam 1096.
29	Mr. K. C. Madhavan Pillai, President, Nair Samajam, Perunna.	6th Tulam 1096.
30	President, Kunnatnad Nair Women's Association.	31st October 1920.
31	Mr. Raman Nair, President, Nair Samajam, Manakad Proverthy.	15th Tulam 1096.
32	Mr. P. K. Kesava Pillai, President, Koraleeya Nair Samajam Conference, Trivandrum.	3rd November 1920.
33	Mr. K. Govinda Pillai, Puzhavatukara, Changanachery.	8th Tulam 1096.
34	Mr. V. Velayudhan Pillai, Changanachery.	8th Tulam 1096.
35	Mr. Krishnan Narayanan, Kalluppara.	14th Tulam 1096.
36	Mr. P. N. Rama Panikkar, Veliyanad.	19th Tulam 1096.

(c) *Regarding the Estates Rent Recovery Regulation Amendment Bill.*

Serial No.	From whom received.	Date.
	Edapalli Chief.	23rd Tulam 1096.

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